



LIBRARY COMMISSION MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Tuesday, April 6, 2004
Los Altos Main Library
13 South San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California 94022

ROLL CALL

Chairperson Thurber called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

Present: Chairperson Thurber, and Commissioners Gerich, Iskow, Johnson, McNulty Winkler and Dr. Takle Quinn
Also Present: Deputy County Librarian Sarah Flowers and City of Los Altos Liaison Donna Legge. Donna Drako from the Friends of the Library

MINUTES

COMMISSIONER JOHNSON MOVED that the minutes of March 6, 2004 be approved as amended. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TAKLE QUINN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

Amendment to LALE Report – Takle Quinn announced that a new member with a legal background has been welcomed added.

REPORTS

Cheryl Houts, Community Librarian

Cheryl announced upcoming March events and library attractions. A thank you reception has been planned for library volunteers including the Library commission members. Circulation desk , including the indoor drop and self check improvements are estimated to be \$18,447. Staff is seeking information related to the cost of the drawings. National Library Week is upcoming in April. The Book Mobile has been scheduled to participate in the Pet Parade on May 15.

Sarah Flowers, Deputy County Librarian

A library issues breakfast titles “Life After the Recall” will be hosted for the Silicon Valley and Peninsula Library Systems on April 24. The Legislator field trip to Sacramento is scheduled for April 21. The March 25 JPA meeting will be the first after the election. It is anticipated that the JPA will discuss future plans including when to consider another ballet measure. Sarah announced that the Santa Clara Library System anticipates a \$3.6 million loss from the State budget. The budget issues will be further discussed at the April 22 JPA meeting. Service levels in the form of operating

ours will be reduced beginning in November. The Los Altos Library hours will be reduced from 69 to 52 hours and the Woodland Library hours will be reduced from 39 to 25 hours.

Donna Drako, Friends of the Library

Donna announced that the next book sale is scheduled for the May 1 and 2.

LALE

Commissioner Takle Quinn announced that LALE would be hosting a fundraising event on April 22. Several family fund donations have been made to LALE.

BUSINESS

Peace Pole Sculpture

Staff reported that Council has approved the placement of a Peace Pole monument at the Library. City and Library staff has recommended a location to the east of the library entrance. A majority of the Commission felt that the placement of the Peace Pole was not a matter for the Commission to decide.

Mother and Child Sculpture

The Public Sculpture Committee had requested that the Library Commission provide input regarding the proposal to replace the "Animal Form" sculpture behind the library, with "Mother and Child". A majority of the Commission was in support of the sculpture.

COMMISSIONER GERICH MOVED that the Library Commission support the "Mother and Child" sculpture. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER MCNULTY WINKLER AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

Library Commission Funds

The Commission discussed the Library Commission funds of \$1,050 currently ear-marked for the promotion and support of the library, its activities and programs during the 2003-04 fiscal year.

COMMISSIONER ISKOW MOVED that the Library Commission request an extension from the City to utilize the same funds for fiscal year 2004-05. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER TAKLE QUINN AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY BY VOICE VOTE.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by
Donna Legge, Recreation Supervisor
Liaison to the Library Commission